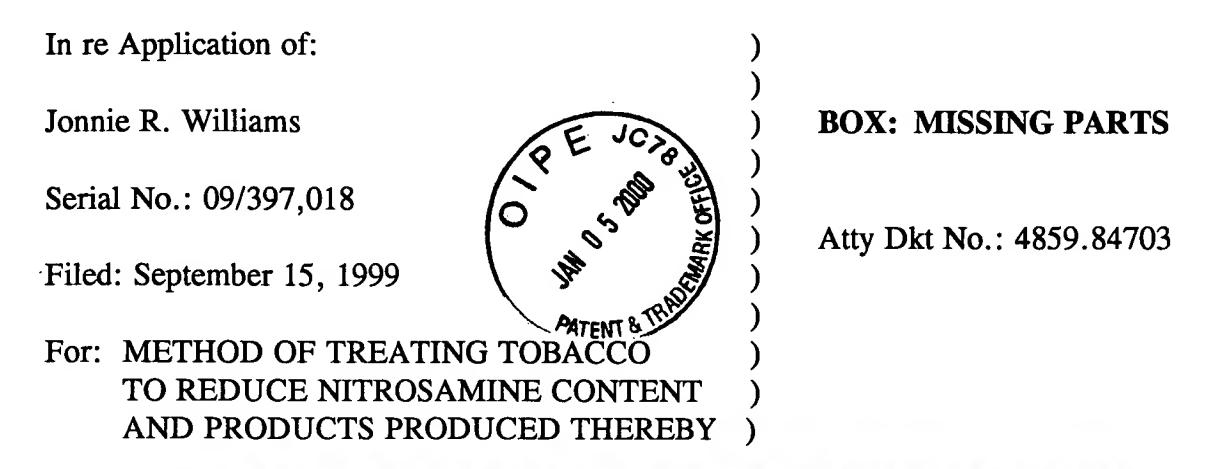
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d), dated October 6, 1999, for which Applicant's petition for a one-month extension of time, i.e., up to January 6, 2000, enclosed is the executed Declaration of the referenced application, three (3) Small Entity Statements, and the fee, which is calculated as follows:

Total Fees	\$1,113.00
One Month Extension Fee	\$55.00
Surcharge for submitting the filing fee and Declaration subsequent to the filing date	\$65.00
Multiple Claim Fee	\$130.00
Independent Claims = 8 In Excess of 5 x 39.00	\$195.00
Total Claims = 52 In Excess of 32 x 9.00	\$288.00
Basic Filing Fee	\$380.00

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A check in the amount of \$1,113.00 is enclosed to cover the above fees. If an additional fee is required or an overpayment of fees is made, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or credit Deposit Account No. 19-0733 as appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 5, 2000

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